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## 2008 MEAT ANIMAL PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME

### SOUTH CAROLINA CASH RECEIPTS DOWN FROM 2007

Total cash receipts from marketings of meat animals (cattle and hogs) in SOUTH CAROLINA during 2008 was \$175.2 million, down 1 percent from the \$177.2 million marketed in 2007. Cattle and calves accounted for 72 percent of this total while hogs and pigs represented 28 percent. Total production for both species was 253.3 million pounds, up 1 percent from 2007.

### US CASH RECEIPTS DOWN FROM LAST YEAR

Total 2008 cash receipts from marketings of meat animals decreased 1 percent to \$64.7 billion. Cattle and calves accounted for 74 percent of this total, hogs and pigs 25 percent, and sheep and lambs 1 percent. Production decreased for all cattle and calves and sheep and lambs while production increased for hogs and pigs.

**Cattle and Calves:** Cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves decreased 3 percent from \$49.8 billion in 2007 to \$48.2 in 2008. All cattle and calf marketings totaled 54.2 billion pounds in 2008, down 1 percent from 2007.

**Hogs and Pigs:** Cash receipts from hogs and pigs totaled \$16.1 billion during 2008, up 9 percent from 2007. Marketings totaled 32.7 billion pounds in 2008, up 8 percent from 2007.